## Heritage Fund Public Advisory Committee (HPAC) Meeting

Meeting Minutes, May 26, 2012 Historic Clarkdale Clubhouse, Clarkdale, Arizona

## **Committee Members:**

Robert Mansell. (Chairman) - Present Nick Lund, (Co-Chairman) – Present Simone Westbrook Hall. - Present Jeff Williamson, - Absent Ron Pearce, - Present Steve Campbell, - Present Noah Stalvey, - Absent Clark Dierks. - Present

Doug Von Gausig, - Present Danny Howe, - Present Jonathan Lines. - Present Louie Galaviz, - Present Kerry Baldwin, - Present James Terlep, - Present Gary Allen, - Present Rex Stulting, - Present

1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks: Commissioner Robert Mansell, Chairman, called the

- meeting to order promptly at 8:00 a.m. The Chair opened the meeting by expressing his appreciation to committee members on behalf of the Heritage Fund for their time, effort and dedication of service to the committee. Commissioner Mansell also welcomed aboard eight new **HPAC** Members.
- 2. Introductions: Chairman Mansell asked committee members and Department Staff to introduce themselves. Members were provided a copy of the HPAC Charter.
- 3. Approval of Minutes from January 14, 2011 HPAC Meeting: Upon motion by Nick Lund and seconded by Kerry Baldwin, the minutes were unanimously approved by the committee.
- 4. Presenter: Marty Herrera, Heritage Fund Administrator, Arizona Game and Fish Department provided a handout to the committee on the 50<sup>th</sup> Legislature 2<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session for review and discussion. The handout also included information about the 2012 legislative accomplishments, an overview of the FY-2013 Department Approved Budget and the Senate Confirmation of Commissioner Kurt R. Davis to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission.
- 5. Presenter: Marty Herrera, Heritage Fund Administrator, Arizona Game and Fish Department, briefed the committee with an overview of the approved changes for the Heritage Fund Grants Program for grant cycle 2013. He also presented the five sub-category funding rank-order lists of Heritage Fund Grants approved by the Director for grant award in 2012.
- 6. Presenter: Mr. Steve Campbell, HPAC Region-I Representative provided a report on the Citizen Science Grand Canyon event.
- 7. Presenter: Mr Nick Lund, HPAC Co-Chairman and Region-I Representative provided information to the committee about the 2013 American Trails –International Trails Symposium which is scheduled for April 13-14, 2013.
- 8. Presenter: Kellie Tharpe, Education Branch Chief, Arizona Game and Fish Department, provided a presentation and open discussion to the committee on education programs and initiatives taking place throughout the Department. She also talked about the new proposed

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Wildlife Center and the capital campaign the Department was planning to undertake in order to raise the necessary funds for construction of the new facility.

- 9. Presenter: Mr. Doug Von Gausig, HPAC Region-III Representative and Mayor of Clarkdale, AZ, hosted the meeting and provided a presentation overview of the Town of Clarkdale and relevant conservation activities taking place throughout the Verde Valley.
- **10. Committee Business Open Committee discussion:** The committee used this opportunity to discuss several issues and topics related to their roles and responsibilities as committee members. The following comments were provided by several committee members.
- 11. Call to the Public: No members of the public requested to be heard
- **12. Future Meetings:** The Committee discussed tentative dates in August, 2012 for the next meeting with possible meeting location at the regional office in Flagstaff, AZ.
- **13. Adjournment:** Nick Lund motioned that the Committee adjourn. Steve Campbell seconded the motion, and the motion to adjourn passed unanimously. Committee adjourned at 12:15 p.m.